

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

APPLICATION NO: 10/578470

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE: November 5, 2004

FOR: Use of Fibroblast Growth Factor Fragment

MS: Missing Parts

Commissioner for Patents

PO Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

Sir:

The Notice of Defective Response of Application mailed June 3, 2008 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on July 3, 2008.

In response, applicant now submits a nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence submission, including a computer readable copy and a Statement Verifying Identity of Above Copies.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 50-4409 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

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